

SUBJECT: Extending the registration period for certain trailers

COMMITTEE: Transportation — favorable, without amendment

VOTE: 9 ayes — Canales, Landgraf, Bernal, Y. Davis, Hefner, Krause, Leman, Martinez, Ortega

0 nays

4 absent — Goldman, Raney, Thierry, E. Thompson

WITNESSES: For — Randy Pomikahl; (*Registered, but did not testify:* Peyton Schumann, Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association)

Against — None

On — (*Registered, but did not testify:* Jeremiah Kuntz, Texas Department of Motor Vehicles)

DIGEST: HB 1262 would require the Department of Motor Vehicles to develop a system of registration to allow the owner of a trailer, semitrailer or pole trailer with a gross weight of 7,500 pounds or less to register the vehicle for up to five years. A trailer owner could select the number of years for registration and would pay the cumulative fees for the entire registration period at the time of registration.

The bill would take immediate effect if finally passed by a two-thirds record vote of the membership of each house. Otherwise, it would take effect September 1, 2019.